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From: Greg Connolly

Re: Proposed Amendments to Tobacco Regulations

Date: September 22, 2003

MEMO

Tomorrow, we are notifying our Public Health Council that we will hold a public hearing on amendments to our tobacco regulations. These amendments are based on the meetings with the major tobacco companies and the recent federal court decision on ingredient disclosure. We intend to hold hearings in late October or November and would welcome the opportunity to meet with you prior to the hearing. The amendments would do the following:

Delete:

1. Ingredient reporting
2. Classification of cigarettes as high, medium or low nicotine yield

Require:

1. Companies to report on 29 features of cigarettes before they are burned. Based on that information, a sample will be drawn for testing under the Massachusetts machine testing method.
2. Require the testing of free nicotine for the same sample.
3. After 1/1/05, the Department may require new brands to be tested for human nicotine intake.
4. Require reporting to be done in electronic format.

The smokeless tobacco nicotine testing remains unchanged. Please call me on Wednesday (9/24/03) if you wish to set up a time to meet.

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